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SUBJ: MURPHY COMMISSION INQUIRY ON FOREIGN AMBASSADORIAL  
APPONTMENTS

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1. ALL CURRENT ITALIAN AMBASSADORS, WHO NOW NUMBER 125, HAVE BEEN NOMINATED FROM THE CAREER RANKS. THERE IS NO STATUTORY STRICTURE AGAINST APPOINTMENT OF A "POLITICAL" AMBASSADOR BY ACTION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. IN FACT, FOR SOME YEARS FOLLOWING THE SECOND WORLD WAR, THERE WERE A NUMBER OF SUCH APPOINTEES, INCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, AMBASSADORS FENAOLTEA AND BROGIO. HOWEVER, A GOVERNMENT CONSUNSUMS AGAINST POLITICAL APPONTMENTS HAS LONG BEEN IN BEING AND ALL SUCH OFFICERS HAVE LEFT THE ROLLS.

2. STANDARD PROCEDURE IS FOR THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL TO PREPARE A LIST OF POSSIBLE AMBASSADORIAL NOMINEES FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER. AFTER APPROPRIATE CONSULTATIONS THE MINISTER MAKES HIS SELECTIONS AND PROPOSES HIS NOMENEEES TO THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS WHICH USUALLY AGREES WITH LITTLE DISSENT. ON SOME OCCASIONS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL MAY OBJECT TO AN APPOINTMENT, IN WHICH CASE AN ALTERNATE MAY BE SUGGESTED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER, BUT ALWAYS FROM THE CAREER RANKS.VOLPE

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